

## MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION

August 30, 2007

10:30 a.m.

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The Chair called the meeting to order.

Present were: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Absent and excused were Reps. Leland, Mayes.

Rep. Donigan moved to excuse the members that were absent. The motion prevailed.

Rep. Nitz moved to approve the minutes of the meeting held June 28, 2007. The motion prevailed.

The Chair laid before the Committee HR 166 – Byrnes – A resolution to encourage the Federal Highway Administration to approve the \$1,000,000 grant request, submitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation to develop a rail transit route as an alternative to U.S. 23 in Livingston and Washtenaw counties.

The Chair recognized Rep. Byrnes to explain HR 166.

The Chair recognized Terri Blackmore from the Washtenaw Area Transportation Study who testified in support of HR 166 and answered questions by members of the Transportation Committee.

The following people filled out testimony cards in support of HR 166 but did not want to testify.

Brad Williams from the Michigan Department of Transportation

Bob Chaprnka from the Michigan Railroad Association

Rep. Griffin moved to report out HR 166 with the recommendation that it be adopted. The motion prevailed, the vote being 14-0-3.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Donigan, Ebli, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

The Chair laid before the Committee HR 165 – Polidori – A resolution to memorialize the United States Congress to enact H.R. 2927, which responsibly balances achievable fuel economy increases with important economic and social concerns, including consumer demands.

The Chair recognized Rep. Polidori to explain HR 165 and to answer questions by members of the Transportation Committee.

The following people filled out a testimony card in support of HR 165 but did not want to testify.

Nadine Nosal from the International Union, UAW  
Joe Sproles from the Alliance of Automobile Manufacturers  
Chuck Hadden from the Michigan Manufacturers Association  
Don Van Singel from the Chrysler Corporation  
Eric Henning from the General Motors Corporation  
Charlie Pryde from the Ford Motor Company  
Dan Smith from the Detroit Regional Chamber  
Brett Henderson from the Auto Dealers of Michigan

Rep. Accavitti moved to adopt substitute H-1 to HR 165. The motion prevailed, the vote being 15-0-2.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

Rep. Knollenberg moved to adopt the substitute H-2 to HR 165, substitute H-1.

Rep. Knollenberg moved to withdraw substitute H-2 to HR 165, substitute H-1, without objection.

Rep. Griffin moved to report out HR 165, substitute H-1 with the recommendation that it be adopted. The motion prevailed, the vote being 15-0-2.

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FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Reps. Hopgood, Griffin, Accavitti, Bieda, Donigan, Ebli, Miller, Young, LaJoy, Casperson, Nitz, Pavlov, Pearce, Stahl, Knollenberg,

Nays: None.

With no further business to come before the Committee Chair Hopgood adjourned the meeting, the time being 11:15 a.m.

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Representative Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Chair

Mary Lou Terrien, Clerk